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Gas Company Seeks 21% Increase in Rates Here

Grand Jury Report? 'No Comment' -- D.A.

"No comment."

That's the statement of District Attorney Francis W. Collins this week, in response to a question by the SUN as to whether he had any comment to make on the recent grand jury report.

Charging widespread gambling throughout Contra Costa County and sharply criticizing District Attorney Collins and Sheriff James N. Long for failing to crack down on it, the grand jury report was filed almost a month ago with Superior Judge Homer W. Patterson.

TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

Collins' "no comment" statement was made Tuesday when the SUN, after repeated efforts, finally succeeded in establishing telephonic communication with him.

Two weeks earlier—almost two weeks after the June 29 filing of the grand jury report—the SUN had asked the district attorney if he had any comment to make. At that time Collins said he hadn't yet read the report, but would do so promptly.

QUESTION IS ASKED

On Tuesday of this week the SUN reporter reached Collins by phone.

"Have you any comment to make on the grand jury report?" the reporter asked.

"No, I have no comment," Collins replied.

HE'S READ IT

"Have you read the report by now?" continued the reporter.

"Yes," the district attorney said.

"Don't you have any comment to make?" persisted the reporter.

"No—but don't go and make a big blast about 'no comment', as you do with the sheriff," said Collins.

'ENTITLED TO OPINION'

"The grand jury criticized you for not acting against gambling in the county," the reporter pointed out. "In fairness to you, you're entitled to make a public statement on the matter."

"The grand jury is a public body, and they're entitled to their opinion as well as anybody," Collins remarked.

GRAND JURY 'A CLIENT'

When pressed further for comment on the grand jury report, the district attorney said:

"I try to conduct the business of this office the same way I would for private clients. The grand jury is a client of the district attorney's office, as is every county body."

The grand jury which made the report was headed by George H. Johnston of El Cerrito. It was discharged after it had turned in its report.

District Attorney Collins has loaned a copy of the grand jury report to the SUN. This paper is having a copy typed for its own use and will then return Collins' copy to him.

Sheriff James Long Declares He Has Not Yet Read Grand Jury Report

Sheriff James N. Long told the SUN Wednesday that he hasn't yet read the grand jury report of almost a month ago and therefore cannot make a statement about it.

He said he would try to get a copy of the report the end of this week and would be "glad to talk" with the SUN about it next week.

"I wondered if you'd care to make a statement about the grand jury report of about a month ago," the reporter said at the start of the phone conversation.

"I haven't read the report yet," the sheriff replied.

SHARPLY CRITICIZED

"The report was filed with Judge Patterson almost a month ago and was widely publicized in the newspapers," the reporter pointed out. "As you probably know, you and the district attorney were sharply criticized in it. In fairness to you, I thought you might want to make a statement." (The grand jury report blasted Sheriff Long and District Attorney Francis W. Collins for not cracking down on widespread gambling in the county.)

"I couldn't make a statement without having read the report," Long objected. "The report is filed with the county clerk."

MIMEOGRAPHED COPIES

"The district attorney's office has had copies mimeographed and they've given copies to various parties, including grand jury members," the SUN reporter stated. "I don't know whether you've received a copy or not."

"No, I haven't," Sheriff Long said.

"When do you think you'll have read the report and be able to make a statement?" queried the reporter.

BY THE END OF WEEK

"I'll try to pick up a copy by the end of the week, said the sheriff.

"Shall I call you in about a week?" the reporter asked.

"I'll be glad to talk to you," Long responded.

The reporter again mentioned that the grand jury had criticized the sheriff and the district attorney and that a public statement would be fitting.

SUGGESTS D.A.

"You might also get a statement from the district attorney," suggested Long.

"The district attorney said he did not want to comment because the grand jury is a client of the district attorney's office, like any other county body," the reporter said.

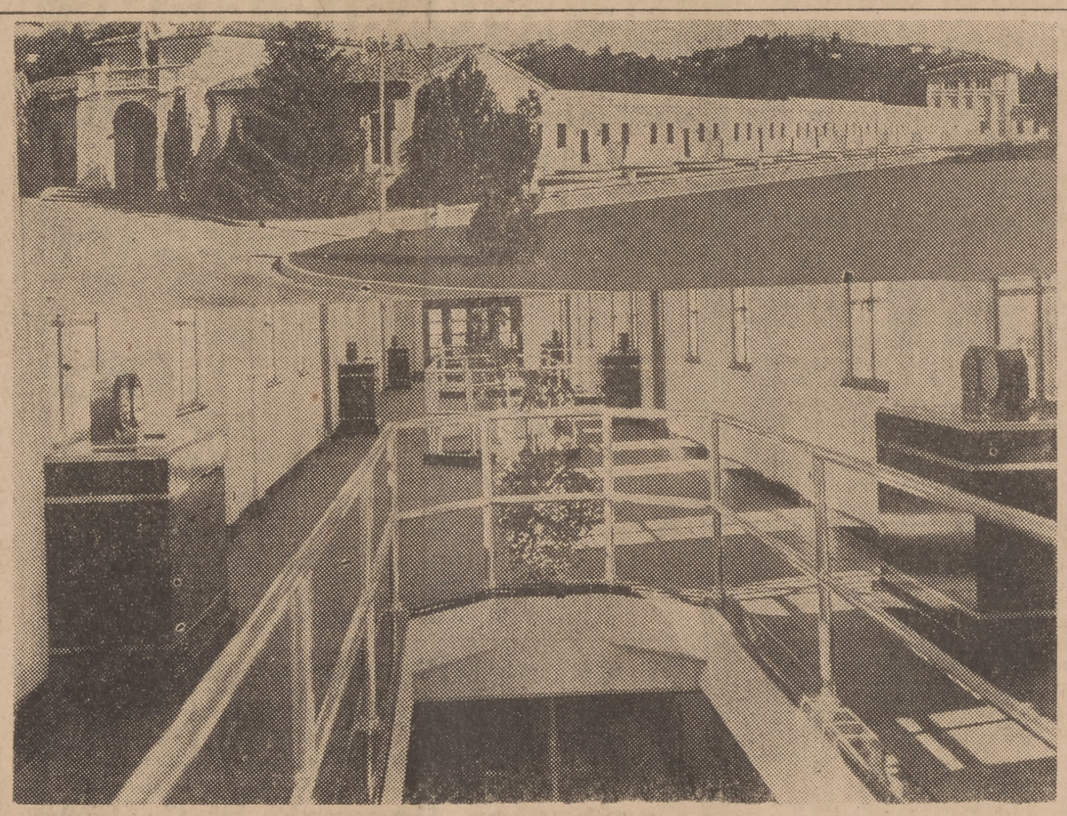
"That's right," remarked the sheriff.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

"But the sheriff's office might be different, since it's a law enforcement office," the reporter observed.

The sheriff repeated that he would be glad to talk again with the reporter, who promised to call back next week.

Long's statement of not having read the grand jury report is similar to District Attorney Collins' statement two weeks ago that he had not then read it, almost two weeks after it was filed.



ORINDA FILTER PLANT handles approximately 70 per cent of all water served by the East Bay Municipal Utility District. Top picture shows the handsome exterior of the plant. Below is an interior view, showing the controls used to operate the flow of water through the filter beds. Seventy per cent of the district's water supply is treated and purified at this plant before it is delivered to customers. The remaining 30 per cent is filtered at the four other plants operated by E.B.M.U.D. (See story Page 12.)

Coast Counties Asks 'First Raise In Thirty Years'

"For the first time in almost 30 years," Coast Counties Gas and Electric Company has requested an increase in natural gas rates, according to G. H. Conner, Coast Counties' district manager in Walnut Creek. The increase would be about a 21 per cent hike. Conner said that on Tuesday the company filed an application for a hearing with the California Public Utilities Commission.

Major reason for the request, according to Conner, is a sharp rise in the field price of gas which the company must purchase. The company's application states that the natural gas it will buy in 1951 will cost an estimated $1,300,000 more than at present field prices. (See company's advertisement inside.)

The application asks that the increased rate be made effective as of January 1, 1951.

Conner said that the average present monthly bill, based on an average use of 6,500 cubic feet, is $4.54. The average 90-cent monthly increase would bring the average monthly bill up to $5.44. However, Conner pointed out that in 1940 the average monthly bill was $5.64.

INCREASED REVENUE

The district manager claimed that the increased rates, if granted, would mean $1,244,000 in estimated increased revenue — some $56,000 short of the upswing in prices the company will have to pay for natural gas.

The requested increase would cover all Coast Counties gas operations. In addition to its Contra Costa County service, the firm operates in parts of Kern, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito, Monterey, Fresno and Kings Counties.

Commenting on the application, Conner declared that "if the requested increase is granted, it is estimated that the average householder's monthly bill will be increased by about three cents a day," adding that "even with the proposed increase, the average householder will pay no more for natural gas than at any time prior to World War II."

CITES RISING COSTS

In reviewing the company's position, Conner pointed out that during the past 10 years Coast Counties has steadily reduced its natural gas rates. "This has been done," Conner noted, "in spite of the fact that all costs of doing business have risen sharply. Since 1939, the costs of labor, taxes, materials and supplies, and replacement of equipment have all increased tremendously."

Conner further stated that until now it has been possible to hold gas rates down because of operating economies and efficiencies together with a greatly expanded use of natural gas resulting largely from the rapid growth of communities served by Coast Counties.

SAYS HIKE NEEDED

"However," he concluded, "the point has now been reached where it is impossible for the company to meet any further increases in the costs of doing business without an increase in the rates which we are permitted to charge."

Pacific Gas and Electric Company was recently granted a 6 per cent gas rate increase and is now seeking another increase of 17½ per cent.

Set School Budget Hearing for Tues.

Proposed 1950-51 budget totalling $229,822 for the Orinda Union School District will come up at a public hearing next Tuesday night, August 1, at the Orinda Grammar School.

Set for 8 p.m., the budget hearing will take place the same evening the Orinda School Board officially canvasses the votes of last Tuesday's school bond election and holds its regular monthly meeting, at the same place.

INSTRUCTION

Instruction tops the single items of expenditure in the proposed budget, with $98,400 set aside for that purpose. (See detailed proposed budget inside.)

On the same night, also at 8 o'clock, there will be a public hearing on the proposed $629,331 budget for the Acalanes Union High School District, at the high school office.

HIGH SCHOOL INCREASE

According to Superintendent Neil M. Parsons of the high school district, the current expense budget for operation of the high school — $374,830 — shows an increase of approximately 10 per cent over last

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School Budgets Depend on You!

Public school district proposed budget hearings will be held in this area in the next several days. These hearings are public, as required by state law.

That means that what the school boards estimate as their needs for the coming year, and as necessary expenses and revenue, must meet with the approval of you, the taxpayers.

State law provides that school budget hearings must be held the first week of August. Any taxpayer of the school district involved may appear and speak his piece, either for or against the proposed budget or any item in it.

"The hearing may be concluded on such preliminary budget when there are no requests on file for further hearing," the law specifically states. "The budget shall not be finally adopted by the governing board of the district until after the public hearing has been held."

For time and place of school budget hearings, see adjoining story.

Sewer District Tax Rate Is Lowered

Central Contra Costa Sanitary District's tax rate for the current fiscal year of 1950-51, for most of its area, is 71 cents per $100 assessed valuation — a reduction of 20.3 cents from last year's rate of 91.3 cents.

This cut, established by the district directors at their weekly meeting last week in the district's Walnut Creek headquarters, is exclusive of the Pacheco annexation, for which a tax rate reduction was also effected.

The reduced tax rate of 71 cents for the original district plus annexations (except Pacheco), for the fiscal year from July 1, 1950, through June 30, 1951, follows last year's reduction of 6.3 cents from the 1948-49 rate.

ASSESSED VALUATION

Current assessed valuation of the original district is set at $31,297,605. The 71 cents tax rate consists of rates of 29 cents for running expenses and 42 cents for the 1947 $2,400,000 bond issue. Last year's rate for running expenses was 40 cents.

At the same meeting the directors also:

1. — Ordered work to proceed on installation of sewers in Local Improvement District 21 (Moraga-Glorietta area) and called for bids which will be opened August 10.

P.G.&E. AGREEMENTS

2. — Authorized executing of license agreements with Pacific Gas and Electric Company and with P. G. &.E's subsidiary Arlington Properties Company for easements in L.I.D. 13.

3. — Awarded contract for building sewers in L.I.D. 19 (Highway Junction area near Soldier's Monument) to Oakland Sewer Construction Company, on its bid of $39,834.50.

4. — Held over consideration of a request from C. L. Sawyer for setting of a service charge for extension of sewer line from L.I.D. 7 to serve Lot 7 of El Nido Rancho.

5. — Authorized payment to Oakland Sewer Construction Company for realignment of sewer in MacDowd property Main Trunk Sewer No. 1, which work was completed June 13.

NO PROTESTS

Regarding work on L.I.D. 21 in the Moraga-Glorietta area, no protests to the plan were reported. The board felt that suggestions for minor extension of sewer lines contained in three letters, to provide better service for certain properties,, could be taken care of after start of construction.

Village Pharmacy Doubled in Size

Doubled in size, Wright's Village Pharmacy, 77 Orinda Highway in Orinda Village, is now offering greatly increased service to its patrons, according to Burly A. Wright, owner.

Expansion, all of which has been completed recently, includes taking over the store next door, the former location of Orinda Electric; moving of the fountain to the far wall; a new kitchen for preparation of hot foods, and general spreading of displays and merchandise. The kitchen is an added feature in the store, and the doubled space has made possible the setting up of new merchandise "islands."

Wright opened the Village Pharmacy in August, 1947.

Orinda Lions See Jet Motor Movie

A Westinghouse color and sound movie about jet motors was the featured program at the meeting of Orinda Lions Club held at the Willows Wednesday night. Jerry McKinley arranged the program for the service club.

Bill Worden has been reappointed publicity chairman to serve for the 1950-51 term, according to Don Hunter, club president.

School Bonds Pass, 247 to 61

By a 4 to 1 majority, voters of the Orinda Union School District on Tuesday approved the $400,000 bond issue for the district's improvement and expansion program.

Unofficial count of the ballots, reported by School Superintendent Joseph L. Sheaff, showed the score as:

For—247.

Against—61.

Official canvass of the ballots will be made by the school board next Tuesday night at the Orinda Grammar School. At that time, count of absentee ballots will be added to the tally. According to Sheaff, there were three applications for absentee ballots; one of these ballots had been returned by Wednesday, so if the other two are returned in time, the total of absentee ballots will be three.

BUDGET HEARING

The school board gathering Tuesday night, to start at 8, will also be the occasion for the board's regular monthly meeting and its public hearing on the school district budget for the coming year.

Sheaff expressed gratification over the result of the election, pointing out that although the total vote was by only about 16½ per cent of the 1,821 registered voters in the district, the turnout was good, considering that this is the summer vacation season, with many people away. A two-thirds majority is required for bond issue passage. Tuesday's "yes" vote was about 80 per cent.

LAUDS MOTHERS CLUB

Special praise was given by the superintendent to the Orinda Mothers Club for its hard work on behalf of the school bond plan.

"Members of the Mothers Club really got out and worked," Sheaff said. "They phoned people urging them to vote. If it hadn't been for them we wouldn't have had as large a vote as we did."

JOINT STATEMENT

The following joint statement was issued by the school board and the Mothers Club:

"The Board of Trustees of the Orinda School District and the Orinda Mothers Club wish to thank all those who actively supported the bond election last Tuesday.

"The results were gratifying for the vacation period, and the cooperation of those who took the time to telephone reminders and personal contacts is greatly appreciated.

"A thanks, also, to the voters of Orinda for their support."

TO NOTIFY SUPERVISORS

Following official canvass of the votes, the school board will notify the County Board of Supervisors of the result, and the supervisors will call for bids for purchase of bonds, Sheaff explained.

The bond issue will be spread over a five-year period, with issuance as follows: 1950-51, $40,000, for the purchase of land; 1951-52, $140,000, for construction of a new school; 1953-54, $95,000, for construction of another new school; 1955-56, $125,000, for completion of the presently planned program.

Endorsement of the bond issue had been given by the Orinda Mothers Club, the Orinda Taxpayers Association, the Orinda Association's Board of Directors, the Orinda Association's Civic Affairs Committee and the Orinda Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber Studies Greeting Service

To welcome newcomers to Orinda, the Orinda Chamber of Commerce is considering establishing a "greeting service," according to Ramsay Underwood, publicity chairman.

At their meeting last week, chamber directors voted to look into the feasibility of setting up such a service, whereby new residents would be welcomed to the community and become acquainted with local merchants.

Josephine Booth Wins Bender Award; To Make 2 Films with Dance Themes

With her $1,200 Albert Bender award as the financial lever, Josephine Booth will soon be producing two unusual motion pictures — a film about Death Valley and a film in which color combinations will be superimposed on "shots" of dancers.

Both will be efforts to integrate the arts of dancing and painting on film.

'ONE MAN' SHOWS

Josephine Booth is the professional name of Mrs. William E. Elliott of 16 El Rincon Lane, Orinda. A dancer and painter, she has had "one-man" shows of her paintings at Daliel's in Berkeley and at the Lucien Labaudt Art Gallery in San Francisco.

The recent winning of the Albert Bender art award by Josephine Booth marks the first time in the history of the well-known Bender grant that it has been given for the making of motion pictures. Four awards are made annually, two in art and two in literature, by the California School of Fine Arts in San Francisco, through the San Francisco Art Association.

Josephine Booth's entries in the contest this year were nine tempera-and-ink abstract paintings and a dance film, "Diminished Iris," which she made at Mills College last year with the dance department. This film, of which she submitted 8-by-10-inch stills, was filmed in the auditorium portion of the Greek Theatre.

RELATED TO DANCE

Of the two future films financed by her Bender award, the artist says that both will be related to the dance.

The Death Valley project, which will not be undertaken until November (when the weather there will permit doing the job in comparative comfort), willl be a black-and-white film exploring texture with light-effects, and relating texture to dance movements.

The other project, to be started in the near future, will superimpose color combinations on dancers in motion — an experiment in harmonizing colors and their emotional connotations with dance movements.

GROUP OF FOUR

On the Death Valley job, a group of four will work on that film — Josephine Booth, who will direct the production and who will do the dancing; William Heick, movie photographer; Bob Hollingsworth, whose photos are now on exhibit at the San Francisco Museum of Art, who will take "still shots" with his camera, and Evelyn Bravo, as Josephine Booth's assistant, who will take notes and keep records.

In her non-professional life, as Mrs. William E. Elliott, the artist is the mother of two young daughters who attend the Orinda Grammar School — Rochelle, 10, who will enter the fifth grade next term, and Adrienne, 8, who will enter the third grade.

1 Out of Every 2 Went to Hospital

More than five and a half million Californians, about one out of every two persons in this state, went to a California hospital last year for relief from ailments ranging in severity from minor cuts to advanced cancer.

This is the administrative evaluation of the latest hospital statistics published recently by the Association of California Hospitals, based on the 1949 compilation by the statistical service of the American Hospital Association.

The state association, speaking through James P. Langdon, administrator, Hahnemann Hospital, who headed the special evaluation committee disclosed:

1. — A total of 1,178,015 persons were admitted by 346 reporting hospitals.

2. — Another 4,450,288 outpatient visits were reported by those hospitals maintaining outpatient facilities.

If you love children — yours and your neighbors, slow down when you drive home today.

Rochelle's Story Wins $1 for Her

The little girl's voice over the phone sounded somewhat timid and nervous, but the words breezed right out with a note of pride:

"I have a story that I think is worth a dollar. . . . My mother won the Albert Bender award of $1,200, for her to make two film projects. One will be a trip to Death Valley and the other will be an experiment in color.

"My mother's professional name is Josephine Booth. Her paintings have been shown in different places, including Daliel's in Berkeley."

With those introductory remarks 10-year-old Rochelle Elliott turned the phone over to her mother, Mrs. William E. Elliott (Josephine Booth), who gave further details.

Rochelle is right—her story merits this ween's $1 prize.

The SUN is offering $1 each week for the best news story or tip turned in, whether it be "spot news," a feature, an account of a meeting or social event.

USF Announces Changes in Staff

Changes in the administrative staff of the University of San Francisco have been announced by the Very Rev. William J. Dunne, S. J., president of the University.

Raymond T. Feely, S.J., was appointed to the newly created position of academic vice-president from his former office as dean of faculties.

Father Alexs I. Mei, S.J., former dean of science, took over additional duties as dean of both arts and science.

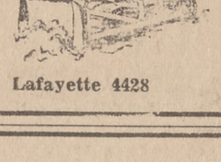
H. C. Petry New Head Of Lions International

Herbert C. Petry, Jr., Carizzo Springs, Texas, is the new president of The International Association of Lions Clubs (Lions International). He was elected by unanimous vote at the 33rd annual convention of the association which closed last week at Chicago Stadium. Petry succeeds Walter C. Fisher, Queenston, Ontario, Canada.

STEAMFITTER

Steamfitter exam is to be held by the Contra Costa County Civil Service Commission. Applications will be taken until August 11, 1950.

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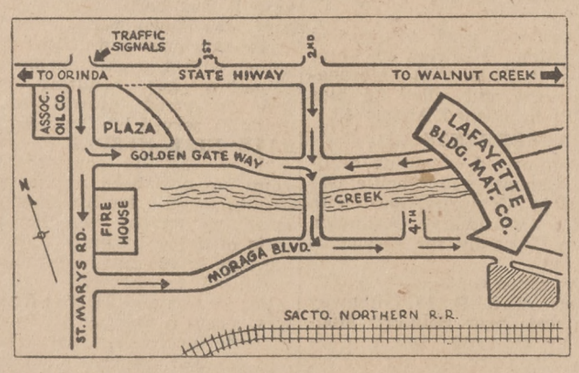
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Draft Exam Calls Going Out – 65 for Area Which Includes Lafayette, Orinda

First draft call in connection with the Korean fighting started rolling this week for men throughout the state, including 177 in Contra Costa County, 65 of them from the area including Lafayette and Orinda.

Following notice of the call from State Selective Service headquarters at Sacramento, notices were being sent out from the three Contra Costa boards ordering draftees to report for pre-induction physical examination.

65 FROM BOARD 30

The call from Local Board 30 at 629 Macdonald Avenue, Richmond, which covers Lafayette, Orinda, St. Mary's College, the southern part of Richmond and El Cerrito, is for 65 men to report for physical exam August 17.

Local Board 29, serving the northern part of Richmond, San Pablo, Rodeo and Crockett, has a call for 52 men, to report August 21. This board's headquarters is at the same address as Board 30.

Local Board 31's call is for 60 men to report August 18. This board, located at 720 Alhambra Avenue, Martinez, serves the county from Port Costa to the San Joaquin County line, including Pittsburg, Antioch, Brentwood, Oakley, Byron, Concord, Walnut Creek, Saranap, Danville, San Ramon and Diablo.

EXAM IN S.F.

Men who receive notices from these boards will report at their respective draft boards and will be transported from there to the Presidio in San Francisco for physical examination. All notices will have been sent out not later than 10 days before the date of the pre-induction exam.

According to Mrs. Grace Reeves, coordinator for Boards 29 and 30 in Richmond, Board 30 has a list of between 7,100 and 7,200 registrants, and Board 29 has about 6,500 registrants. Board 31 in Martinez, according to Mrs. Lenora Reed, clerk of the board, has approximately 6,500 registrants. The Board 31 figure does not include men who have recently registered at branch stations — the Pittsburg, Antioch, Concord and Walnut Creek fire departments, and with Brentwood City Clerk George Wedgewood at Legion Hall. These additional registrations, to be tallied at Martinez around the end of the month, are expected to total about 200.

LET BOARD KNOW

To eliminate confusion which exists in the minds of many, Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Reed stressed that the important thing is for all registrants promptly to inform their draft boards of any change in their address or family status. Many men who were classified as 1-A a year or two ago have not notified their draft boards of their marriage, children who have been born or change of address. In order for the boards to get their records in shape and to be able to bring their 1-A classifications up to date, it is essential for such registrants to tell their local boards of these changes.

Many inquiries have come to the local boards as to who is required to register. Those who must be registered are men 18 years of age or over who were born after August 30, 1922. Men are allowed five days after their 18th birthday to register without penalty.

APPLY TO ALL

These registration requirements apply to all men within the specified age-bracket, not excluding veterans, members of the reserve and members of the National Guard.

The local board offices are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

According to Col. Kenneth H. Leitch, state draft director, the call for men for physical examinations starts with 25-year-olds, although some boards will have to go down as far as 22-year-olds. Call is in order of age, running down from 25.

Of the 6,000 men throughout the state who will be required to take their physical examinations in August, 1,187 will be actually inducted in September, according to Leitch. The 1,187 quota is California's share of 20,000 who will be drafted throughout the United States. Leitch said all will go into the Army, since the Navy and the Air Force have not asked for draftees.



No Back Seat for Their Backstroke

When it comes to backstroke, Barbara Stark of Orinda and Sally Pedder of Lafayette don't take a back seat.

At the recent Far Western Swimming Meet at Fleishhacker Pool in San Francisco, Barbara placed second in the 50-meter backstroke for girls 14 and under.

Sally, who is 13, stepped up in class and finished second in the 100-meter backstroke for girls 17 and under.

Do you realize how much it costs when you go through the Tunnel to shop?

Acalanes School Bond Sale Aug. 14

Sealed proposals for purchase of $499,000 of the $900,000 Acalanes Union High School District bond issue will be received August 14, 11 a.m., by the Board of Supervisors. Bonds will be awarded to the highest bidder.

Sale of 499 bonds of $1,000 denomination each will raise the district's bonded indebtedness to the legal maximum limit, according to County Auditor - Controller D. M. Teeter.

VOTED 3 TO 1

The bond issue was approved by the voters of the district last March 28 by a 3 to 1 majority. Purpose of the bonds is the obtaining of funds for purchase of school lots or buildings, alterations to school buildings and other necessary phases of expansion.

Teeter added that the district "probably will be in a position to sell more of the $900,000 issue next year." The legal maximum of indebtedness which will be reached by sale of the first $499,000 in bonds is computed on last year's assessed valuation of the district, he explained.

EXPECT INCREASE

The assessed valuation is expected to increase approximately $2,500,000 during 1950-51.

The $900,000 issue was authorized so as to do away with the holding of repeated elections to finance a 10-year school district development program.

J. C. Personnel Tests Aug. 7th

Personnel tests required of all students planning to enter the Contra Costa Junior College will be given Monday, August 7, at 9 a.m. in the library of Alhambra Union High School, Martinez, according to Leland Medsker, director of the East Campus.

The tests will last five hours. Students are requested to bring lunches, as no dining facilities are available.

THERMOSTAT TROUBLE

Overheating or slow warming of an automobile motor may be caused by a faulty thermostat, says the California State Automobile Association.

Oh, Yes, This Is Perfect Weather

This is the summer weather Central Contra Costans boast about when they visit other locales, cool morning and evenings with enough heat during the day to ensure a good suntan.

Orinda and Lafayette have climbed on this weather seesaw, with Orinda basking in the maximum of 88 degrees registered the 21st, and Lafayette chalking up a high of 90 degrees for the 20th and 21st.

Low temperature in these communities for the week of July 19 through 25th was registered on the 21st in Orinda when the mercury dropped to 44, with Lafayette's low of 51 degrees gauged on three evenings, the 20th, 22nd and 23rd.

Heed the time and take advantage of this weather, it's later than you think. Winter isn't too far around the corner, unhappy thought.

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Burglars Won't Like These Vacation Tips

(AN EDITORIAL)

This is vacation time. It's great to go off for a week or two or even longer, enjoying the relaxation furnished by traveling, fishing, camping or whatever restful activity that occupies us.

The change of scene and the rest are a tonic, helping us appreciate home all the more when we return. That is, if home is as we left it.

But if we return to find our home broken into, ransacked and burglarized, our vacation-pleasure turns bitter.

This could happen to you. You've left your home locked, and neatly arranged everything before you went on your trip. Then, on your return, you find you've had uninvited and unwelcome visitors, and you're lucky if valuables haven't been stolen and if your residence isn't a mess.

Here are some pointers offered by the sheriff's office on how to avoid such trouble — or at least to make fairly sure that you'll avoid it:

1. — Make sure that you've halted such services as milk delivery and newspaper delivery by carrier-boy. Accumulation of milk bottles and newspapers are tell-tale signs for prowlers.

2. — Don't nail up your doors and don't pull your shades down. Nailel-up doors and pulled-down shades are eloquent invitations to burglars.

3. — Notify the sheriff's office, by letter or phone call, that you're going away, telling them how long you expect to be gone.

After you've notifed the sheriff's office, that office will keep an eye on your premises. Deputies will patrol the area, getting the "lay of the land" and familiarizing themselves with the surroundings. In this way, your property will have protection it might otherwise lack.

These few pointers are simple enough, but they can save you an awful lot of worry while you're away and do away with your being upset when you come back.

And they can make your vacation something to be pleasantly remembered, instead of something to regret.

Is Little Chukar O.K. or Just a Misfit?

The State Division of Fish and Game will begin a quest next month to find out why the colorful little chukar partridge hasn't taken too well to his California foster home.

The gray, white and maroon import from India has been raised in state game farms and released in various sectons of California for the last 20 years. But what game managers call a "combination of factors" has prevented the distant relative of the grouse from being added to the list of legal hunting targets.

VARIOUS LOCALES

As a pioneer in the introduction of chukars in this country, the California agency bore the brunt of the inevitable mistakes in the trial and error method. Partridges were released in such varied locales as the high Sierras, the coastal redwood country, and the desert.

According to the Bureau of Game Conservation, the Indian natives are doing best in the dry regions of the eastern Sierra slope.

From headquarters at Independence, Inyo County, division personnel will trap, mark and release chukars in an effort to learn some of the bird's habits. It is suspected that lack of water, predation and competition with native game birds will show up as important reasons for the chukar's failure to hold its own.

A newly-developed tagging method will be used. After live-trapping, the birds will be marked with colored strips of plastic fastened to the skin at the back of the neck. Similar work with pheasants and quail has shown the procedure to be harmless to the bird.

Following close observation and eventual collection of the plastic markers, state employees will be armed with enough information to advise whether sportsmen's money should be used in further efforts to establish the chukar,

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Captain Sandford Sez:

A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO my home was in the Philippine Islands, and I remember General MacArthur making some somewhat vainglorious statements about the defense he had prepared for these islands of the archipelago. I do not remember the exact words, but the general theme was that he had made a defense system which would forbid invasion by any nation. And when the Japs came, oh my gosh.

My mind now turns to the recent advice he has given our President. The international situation now is one that cannot be cured by bombastic statements or even wearing fancy hats. In other words, it is a world in which the keen, the young, the intelligent and courageous, must lead.

WITH REGARD to the so-called "column" written by me in this newspaper, I feel that in justice to all concerned certain explanations are in order, so here goes.

The idea of "Captain Sandford Sez" did not originate with me. It was the editor's idea. I do not receive, nor do I wish to receive, payment for what I write.

I narrowly missed being killed on "Maniac's Boulevard" while walking across in a white-painted pedestrian way in broad daylight. I have been interesting myself actively in the safety of people using this highway for many years and I feel that I may rightly say that the problem of safety on this highway is one of the most important that will ever be faced by the citizens of this area.

I also still feel that no sane person should attempt to sign his or her name on a typewriter.

My advice to readers who do not like what I have written is: Write it to the editor; write to me or tell me personally; but in the name of all that's holy, do not write or say anything to anybody, any time, unless you are willing to identify yourself with the statements you make.

So if you still feel that someone has stolen your cookie or if you feel that you need your diaper changed or, in short, if you feel kinda irate-like, get in touch with me and I will do my level best to recover your cookie for you, change your diaper or "de-irate" you quickly.

P.S.—When I see the use of the words and/or, I always think of banks and bankers. Any legal authority will tell you that and/or is obsolete and frowned upon by judicial experts.

Good-bye now.

Ask Servicemen Register With Service Officer

All veterans who are called back or volunteer for service and all new draftees are urged to register with the County Veterans Service Officer at 108 Hall of Records or 2721 Macdonald Avenue, Richmond, J. W. Hammond, county veterans service officer, announced today.

Veterans and draftees can be better protected both for themselves and their dependents if this is done, Hammond stated.

Martinez Merry-Go-Round

Budget Headaches Not Over, but J. C. Avoids a Different Type of Headache

Supervisors were hoping this week to complete their deliberations on the preliminary county budget for the 1950-51 fiscal year. But that's the end of only one headache.

It might be more accurate to say it's the beginning of another headache — for, following the drawing up of the preliminary budget, public hearing on the budget is scheduled to start at 10 a.m. August 18.

That date was set by the Board of Supervisors Monday, meeting in Martinez. Under state law, hearings can be conducted for 10 additional days if there are enough protests. Preliminary budgeting will be available for the public August 8.

FAMILY LIFE CENTERS

Board of Trustees of Contra Costa Junior College District voted against purchase of any buildings for use as family life centers at a meeting Monday in Martinez.

Board members felt that it would be possible to develop the centers in rented buildings. Elton Brombacher, president of the board, recommended that the college staff survey the cities that have asked for family life centers to see if it will be possible to rent buildings in those areas.

INTER-DISTRICT PERMITS

The board approved inter-district permits with 13 other junior college districts which will allow for the interchange of students without added cost to the district. The board also approved inter-district permits with Stockton and Vallejo Junior Colleges to take care of students who have already started their education at those institutions.

NEW EMPLOYEES

The trustees employed Harold Houseal, former chief accountant for the Pasadena city schools, as business assistant. Miss Margaret Moreland from Napa Junior College was hired as records clerk for the East Campus. Robert J. Van Noord, who has been in charge of the education program of the Los Angeles Bureau of Power and Light, was employed as a teacher. Van Noord will work with industrial organizations, teaching supervisory training courses.

BRENTWOOD SEWERS

Contract for installation of sewer lines on certain Brentwood streets was awarded Monday to the MGM Construction Company of Concord, on its low bid of $1,648.75.

Merry-Go-Round New SUN Feature

Why "Martinez Merry - Go-Round"?

Well, Martinez is the Contra Costa County seat, and there's always plenty doing there of interest and importance to the whole county.

In an effort to take our readers on a quick tour of some of the high spots of such news, which may or may not have an immediate bearing on our community, the SUN is presenting the new feature, "Martinez Merry - Go-Round."

It first appeared last week. We hope to have it every week. And we also hope you like it.

HOSPITAL LAUNDRY

Remodeling of the County Hospital laundry facilities will be done by V. P. Kaufenberg of Martinez, whose construction firm was awarded the contract Monday by the supervisors. The contract is for $16,956.

DRIVE-IN MOVIES

For lack of a second to Supervisor Samuel S. Ripley's motion, a proposed county ordinance requiring two motion picture operators in drive-in theaters failed to pass Monday. Supervisor Jack Cummings suggested to operators' union representatives that the matter be taken up with the State Accident Prevention Commission. President Hugh Caudel of the Contra Costa Central Labor Council said the problem would be presented to the Legislature's next regular session; the union claims two operators are essential because of fire hazard.

SMOKE AND HOMES

Where there's factory smoke there shouldn't be too many homes, representatives of industry feel, and the Board of Supervisors Monday read letters from the Richmond Chamber of Commerce and the California Spray-Chemical Corporation urging the board to ban home development in industrial zones.

On instruction from the board, the Planning Commission and the district attorney are working on a hoped for ordinance which would ease the situation.

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Signs of the Times–Home Building Increases in Area, Permit List Shows

Are your friends moving to the Lafayette-Orinda area? Judging by the number of building permits, particularly for residential construction, being issued for this area, it seems that before long all our friends will join us here!

For the week ending July 21, for example, well over a quarter of a million dollars in estimated construction cost, almost all for residential work, is provided by the 23 permits issued for the area. All the 14 Orinda permits (one of them is for 10 residences and garages) are for one type or another of residential project. Seven of the nine Lafayette permits are for residential construction.

Total value of the 23 permits, in terms of finances expected to be involved in the jobs, is over $276,635. Of this amount, more than $205,833 is represented by the Orinda list, while over $70,802 is accounted for by the Lafayette column.

Here are the permits for that week in this area:

LAFAYETTE:

Dale Stoops, residence and garage, Acalanes Park, Lot 7, Sunnybrook Drive and Mt. Diablo Boulevard, $10,782.

H. Mutnick, residence and garage, Glenside Manor, Lot 2, Reliez Valley Road and Glenside Drive, $8,640.

G. E. Baldry, residence and garage, Bickerstaff Tract, Lot 12, Boyer Circle and Oak Street, $8,700.

Frank Fadenberger, residence and garage, Paradise Acres, Lot 1, Rosedale and St. Mary's Road, $7,476.

Emerson Denham, residence and garage, Topper Lane and St. Mary's Road, $10,200.

G. L. Mariolle, electric sign, 72 Mt. Diablo Boulevard.

Elmer Booth, swimming pool, Happy Valley Estates, 1133 Estates Drive, $2,000.

Dr. LeRoy Wolfe, residence and garage, Happy Valley Park, Lot 46, South Peardale Drive and Leroy Way, $9,438.

J. McAlvey, residence and garage, Happy Valley Estates, Lot 11, Rahara Drive and Upper Happy Valley Road, $13,746.

ORINDA:

Marchant and Lawrie, 10 residences and garages, Moraga Gardens No. 2, $8,700 each, total $87,000.

M. E. Keyser, addition to residence, Hacienda Del Orinda, Lot 622, El Verano and Las Vegas, $2,016.

Sam Stewart, residence and garage, Garden of Eden, La Corejos, $11,811.

Marchant and Lawrie ,residence and garage, Moraga Gardens No. 2 Lot 81, Meadow View Road and Glorietta Boulevard, $8,700.

M. Sutliffe, residence and carport, Sleepy Hollow Lot 33, Snowberry, $11,560.

Hyland Hinman, residence and garage, Sleepy Hollow No. 1, Lot 34, Snowberry Lane, $11,982.

J. H. Boyd, residence and garage, Orinda Oaks, Lot 1, Claremont Avenue and Berkeley Avenue, $10,152.

J. R. Hayward, residence and garage, Encinas De Moraga, Camino Encinas, $8,712.

Nathan G. Gray, residence and garage, Oak Springs No. 4, Lot 63 and 73, No. 5 Spring Court and Spring Road, $18,468.

P. B. Parker, residence addition, Moraga Park, Lot 3, No. 6 Glorietta Court and Glorietta Boulevard, $6,312.

Denham Harman, residence and garage, Hacienda Del Orinda, No. 9, Lot 35, Los Palomas and La Espiral, $7,680.

A. J. Heiser, residence and garage, Moraga Manor, Lot 72, Glorietta and Orchard Road, $12,062.

Watson and Morrill, residence and garage, Moraga Meadows No. 3, Lot 72, Hillcrest Drive and Martha Road, $9,378.

E. A. Patterson, residence and garage, Moraga Meadows, Lot 157, Douglas Court and Robert Road.

Postwar Record In Home Building

Homebuilders in the San Francisco-Oakland metropolitan area, in which Contra Costa County is included, shattered all postwar records by starting 3,110 new permanent non-farm dwelling units during May, M. D. Kossoris, director of the Western Region of the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics, reported.

The record volume is 20 per cent above the figure for the previous month and more than double the total for the same month last year.

Vets Can Get Mortgage Loans Direct from U.S.

Areas of the country in which 4 per cent mortgage financing is lacking, and in which eligible veterans of World War II may qualify for direct government mortgage loans as provided by a recent Act of Congress, are now designated by the Veterans Administration.

The eligible areas, virtually all of which are outside metropolitan centers, include about 2,200 of the 3,100 counties in the United States. It is estimated that about 4,000,000 veterans, or 30 per cent of those still eligible for GI loan benefits, reside in those areas.

NAVY SHIPYARD JOB

The United States Civil Service Commission announces the opening of a probational examination for the position of apprentice, fourth class for appointment to positions at the San Francisco Naval Shipyard. Salary is $8.72 per day. This examination will close on August 10, 1950.

This Teetotaller Really Teetotaled

A real teetotaller died recently on the Berkeley campus of the University of California.

This teetotaller's teetotalling was so total that he didn't even drink water—hadn't "touched a drop" of any kind of liquid for six years. He was a pocket mouse, and he died of old age, not from lack of drink.

The pocket mouse was caught in San Diego Springs at the southern end of the San Joaquin Valley by Dr. Seth B. Benson, associate professor of zoology and curator of mammals at the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology on the Berkeley campus of U. C.

BIRDSEED

Professor Benson gave the mouse a handful of commercial birdseed every few months and that was all the care it seemed to require. The mouse refused all offers of water and, in fact, his prejudice against the liquid was so strong that when some was sprinkled on him he made frantic efforts to escape it.

The zoologist said that the pocket mouse was in perfect physical condition in spite of his dry diet and indicated that this was not surprising for desert animals of this type. The physiological mechanisms of animals such as the pocket mouse that inhabit arid regions are adapted to the utilization of only tiny amounts of water and this particular mouse apparently got all he needed from the commercial bird seed.

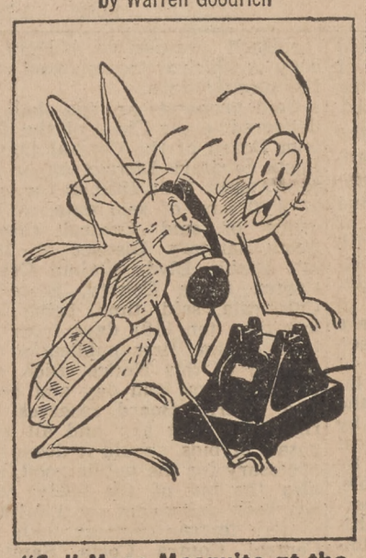
GREAT AGE

The surprising thing, Professor Benson said, was the animal's great age. The average life of his fellows in the wild is only about one year, the scientist said, and this one probably owed his six long years to the fast that he led a sheltered life and was free of such problems as natural enemies, the elements, and the necessity of hunting for food.

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But, we now have reached the point where we can not absorb any further increases in the cost of doing business, without an increase in the rates we are permitted to charge for natural gas service.

As we all know, everything we buy and do, costs more than it did ten years ago.

Labor costs have risen. We pay our employees wages which compare favorably with similar types of business. Average wage rates paid to our employees have risen more than 100% since 1940. In the past 10 years the average wage rate of employees in our Gas Department has increased from 76¢ to $1.65 per hour. Also, during this period, other payroll costs such as pensions, sick leave, vacations, etc., have increased considerably.

Our taxes have increased. Our Federal, State, and local taxes are more than 40% higher than they were in 1942.

Replacement costs have doubled. Like everything else, gas service facilities wear out, and must be replaced. To replace those which were installed ten to twenty years ago will cost more than twice our original investment. The cost of pipe, meters, trucks, in fact everything we use, has risen between 50% and 100%.

Under our American System of Enterprise, every business needs money or capital invested, in order to carry out its function and purpose. In order to attract necessary capital for needed expansion and improvement of our facilities, present investors should receive a fair return on their savings, and new investors must have confidence in our future.

To operate at present rates in the face of increased costs would seriously impair our ability to earn a fair return and to adequately serve our growing communities.

We now face a major increase in the cost of purchased gas. On January 1, 1951, the field price of gas we purchase will be sharply increased. It is estimated that this price rise will increase our costs by approximately $1,300,000.00.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS

IN THE MATTER OF THE IMPROVEMENT OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 13

Pursuant to the provisions of "Improvement Act of 1911" and to Resolution ordering the Work of the District Board of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California, directing this Notice, said District Board hereby invites sealed bids and proposals for doing the work and improvement described in Resolution of Intention No. 583 as amended in the above-entitled matter, of the District Board of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California, adopted May 4th, 1950, and said Resolution of Intention No. 583 as amended is hereby referred to for a description of said work and improvement, the grades to which it is to be done, a description of the district to be assessed to pay the costs and expenses theerof, the bonds to be issued, and for all further particulars contained in said Resolution of Intention No. 583. Reference is hereby further made to the plans and specifications and detailed drawings for said work on file in the office of the Secretary of said Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, in accordance with which said work shall be done. As said resolution has been amended.

Said plans and specifications may be examined at 1822 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Walnut Creek, and may be obtained upon the deposit of $10.00 which will be returned.

Notice is further given that the District Board of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California, has established a prevailing rate and scale of wages in accordance with law, which rate and scale is as follows, to-wit:

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Brick Layer (Hod-Carrier)	18.80	2.35
Carpenter (Foreman)	19.40	2.425
Carpenter (Journeyman)	19.00	2.375
Carpenter (Millwright)	20.00	2.50
Cement Finisher (Foreman)	18.60	2.325
Cement Finisher	17.60	2.20
Cement Finisher (Machine Man)	18.60	2.325
Electrical Worker (Foreman)	22.48	2.81
Electrical Worker (Journeyman)	20.00	2.50
Engineers — Operating		
Asphalt Plant Engineer	18.32	2.29
Asphalt Plant Operator	15.92	1.99
Compressor Operator	15.52	1.94
Concrete Mixerman (Over one yard)	17.92	2.24
Derrick or Truck Crane Operator	19.52	2.44
Fireman (Stationary)	15.52	1.94
Heavy Duty Repairman	18.32	2.29
Power Grader Operator	19.52	2.44
Power Shovel Operator (One yard and under)	20.72	2.59
Power Shovel Operator (Over one yard)	21.52	2.69
Oilers and Mechanic's Helper	15.52	1.94
Roller and Tractor Operator	18.32	2.29
Scoopmobile Operator (Used as loader)	18.72	2.34
Tractor Type Shovel & Truck Type Loader Operator	19.52	2.44
Tractor (Boom) Operator	19.52	2.44
Trenching Machine Operator	18.72	2.34
Glaziers	16.00	2.00
Iron Workers		
Rodman (Foreman)	20.00	2.50
Rodman	18.00	2.25
Structural (Foreman)	22.00	2.75
Structural	20.00	2.50
Laborers		
Asphalt Ironer and Rakers	14.40	1.80
Asphalt Shoveler	12.40	1.55
Blasters & Drillers	14.40	1.80
Combination Jackhammer-Powderman	14.40	1.80
Concrete Laborer	12.40	1.55
Construction Laborer	12.40	1.55
Cribber & Lagger	14.40	1.80
General Laborer	12.40	1.55
Operator — Vibrators, Air, Gas Electric Tools	13.40	1.675
Sewer Pipe (Non metalic) Layers & Banders & Caulkers	16.00	2.00
Watchman, Flagman & Guard	12.40	1.55
Painter (7 hour day)	15.925	2.275
Pile Driver (Foreman)	20.40	2.55
Pile Driver	18.00	2.25
Plumber	20.00	2.50
Sheet Metal Worker	18.50	2.3125
Steamfitter & Welder, Industrial Work	20.00	2.50
Teamsters		
Dump Truck		
Under 4 yds.	13.12	1.64
4 yds. and under 6 yds.	14.08	1.76
6 yds. and under 8 yds.	14.80	1.85
8 yds. and over	17.84	2.23
Transit Mix		
3 yds. and under	13.76	1.72
4 yds. and 5 yds.	14.48	1.81
Flat Rack or Pickup Truck		
Carrying less than 10,500 lbs.	13.36	1.67
Carrying over 10,500 lbs.	14.32	1.79
Tank or Water Trucks		
400 gal. or less	13.12	1.64
400 gal. or over	14.08	1.76

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The first two hours overtime, after a normal eight (8) hour day, for Cement Finishers shall be at one and one-half (1½) times the normal rate and further overtime shall be at double the normal rate. Saturday work for Cement Finishers shall be at one and one-half (1½) times the normal rate for the first eight (8) hours worked and at double the normal rate for all further time worked on Saturdays.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN BIDDERS that it shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded, and upon all subcontractors under him, to pay not less than said general prevailing rates of per diem wages, as above listed, to all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed in the execution of the contract.

Anything to the contrary in the above wage scale notwithstanding, the Contractor and all subcontractors under him shall pay all their laborers, workmen, mechanics and employees on said work a salary or wage at least equal to the prevailing salary or wage for the same quality of service rendered to private persons, firms or corporations under similar employment, within the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District.

The per diem wage rate is the hourly rate hereinabove mentioned established multiplied by the number of hours hereinabove mentioned as constituting the working day for the particular craft or type of workman.

Before submitting proposals the bidder shall be licensed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 9 Division III of the Business and Professions Code, Chapter 37 of the Statutes of 1939, as amended, of the State of California, which provides for the registration and licensing of contractors.

Each bidder must submit with his proposal, a statement of his financial responsibility, technical ability and experience on the form to be furnished prospective bidders.

Each bidder shall submit with his bid on the form provided, the name and address of each subcontractor including the principal suppliers of materials, and the portion of the work which each subcontractor will do. If the contractor fails to name the subcontractors in his proposal, he shall be deemed to have agreed to perform such portion of the work himself and shall not be permitted to subcontract said portion of work without previous written permission of the District Board.

The Contractor shall, in the performance of the work and improvements, conform to the Labor Code of the State of California and other laws of the State of California applicable thereto, with the exception only of such variation as may be required under the special statutes pursuant to which proceedings hereunder are taken and which have not been superseded by the provisions of the Labor Code. Preference to labor shall be given only in the manner provided and required by law. Veterans and resident local labor shall be given preference by the Contractor wherever possible, if skill and working ability permit without increasing the ultimate cost of the work and improvement to the Local Improvement District, the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District and its officers.

All proposals or bids shall be accompanied by a check payable to said Central Contra Costa Sanitary District and certified by a responsible bank for an amount which shall not be less than ten (10%) per cent of the aggregate of the proposal, or by a bond for said amount and so payable, signed by the bidder and two sureties, who shall justify, before any officer competent to administer an oath, in double the said amount and over and above all statutory exemptions. The proposal shall be made out on the form to be furnished prospective bidders, a copy of which is incorporated with the specifications.

Said proposals or bids shall be delivered to the Clerk of the District Board of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District on or before August 3rd, 1950, at the hour of 8:00 p.m., of said date, at the office of said Central Contra Costa Sanitary District at 1822 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County, State of California, said time being not less than ten (10) days from the time of the first publication or posting of said Notice. Bids will be opened on said day and hour. The District Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or bids, should it deem this necessary for the public good, and also the bid of the bidder who has been delinquent or unfaithful in any former contract with the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District.

All bids shall be submitted on the understanding that all work thereunder shall be done pursuant to the Improvement Act of 1911 and that all of the applicable requirements thereof shall be made a part hereof, of the Local Improvement District proceedings, the bonds and the contract.

DATED: this 13th day of July, 1950.

H. M. SMITTEN
Secretary, Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California.

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Patronize Hometown Merchants.

Art Sketches of Strawhatters Are Sparkling Fresh

Since the record-making first season of the Straw Hatters, there have appeared in the Tack Room of their theatre in Lafayette, groups of quick sketches of the actors caught in a great variety of unguarded moments.

These sketches, by Jon Cornin of Berkeley, reflect the wonderful freshness and spontaneity of these talented East Bay people. Done while backstage, onstage during rehearsals, in the dressing rooms, before, during and after performances, they have accumulated until there are now about 600 of these unposed sketches.

A group of about 100 new ones are now on exhibit during the Straw Hat company's current run of the musical comedy "Write It Off!" at Lafayette's Town Hall.

Many of the Straw Hatters sketches echo the humor to be found in the cartoons appearing in national magazines and newspapers over the name of CORKA, a cartoon-team of Jon Cornin and his wife, Zena Kavin, a sculptress, designer and lithographer in her own right.

Rev. Matthews at Church on Sunday

On Sunday Rev. Godfrey Matthews will conduct the 10 o'clock church service at the Orinda Community Church. He will again tell a story in his fascinating way to the children. After the children leave for their classes he will speak to the adults on the theme "Christianity at the Crossroads."

Rev. Matthews will speak two more Sundays during the absence of Rev. Fred Morrow, who with his family is enjoying a month's camping and roughing-it vacation in the high Sierra above Huntington Lake.

'Meet Your People,' Benefit Show for Therapy Center, To Be Given Aug. 24-26

Casting has started for "Meet Your People," the musical revue scheduled for August 24, 25 and 26 at Acalanes auditorium for the benefit of the Mt. Diablo Child Therapy Center, according to Henry K. Dunn, director. "Meet Your People" is the show that made such a hit in Danville early this month.

The new show promises to outdo the Danville success. The outstanding performers of the Danville production are being retained and many new interesting personalities from Walnut Creek, Concord, Lafayette and Orinda are being added. New interpretations are being added.

The cast lineup so far includes the following: Fern McHale, who was a top hit as one of the Cherry Sisters, will be seen again in the act with a new partner, Phyllis King of Alamo. Others of the original cast include Mary Funk, Jane Lonergan, Carola Cordell, Adele Smith, Louise Ratkay, Adrienne Tuttle, Reuben Tuttle, Dean Springer, Harold Martin of Danville and Charles Fuller, Carol Peters and Gladys Hawkins of Walnut Creek.

New people include Mary Doyle, physiotherapist of the Mt. Diablo Child Therapy Center; Patricia Hart of Walnut Creek, Sadie Schroeder of Concord and Frances Groves of Orinda. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Franz Muller of Walnut Creek.

Mrs. Challis Gore will handle publicity and tickets for Orinda.

Rehearsals will be held at the Walnut Creek Women's Club and the Raymond Van Tassell home in Danville for the convenience of those in the Alamo and Danville area.

David Holstrom, prominent attorney, will act as treasurer of the project. J. Don More will again assist Dunn in the production.

Does Our J.C. Grant College Degree? Sports Program? How Many Students?

The following questions and answers are the second in a series designed to supply information to the youth and adults of Contra Costa County about their new junior college district.

Q—Does the junior college grant a college degree ? A—Yes. Students who successfully complete the two year course are granted the Associate in Arts degree.

Q—How many students will be able to attend the junior college this year? A—1500 students at the West Campus in Richmond; 500 students at the East Campus in Martinez.

Q—Will the district have an athletic program this year? A—Yes. The West Campus will play other junior colleges in football, basketball, baseball, track and swimming. The East Campus will omit football during the first year, but will play all other sports.

Q—Must a person have a high school diploma to attend the junior college? A—No. If a person who did not graduate from high school is 18 years of age or older and can profit by the instruction offered, he may attend the junior college.

Q—If a student plans to transfer to a 4-year college or university, will courses taken at the junior college be accepted? A—Yes. The college offers courses in the "University Parallel" division which carry full college credit.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS

(Local Improvement District No. 21)

IN THE MATTER OF THE IMPROVEMENT OF LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 21

Pursuant to the provisions of "Improvement Act of 1911" and to Resolution ordering the Work of the District Board of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California, directing this Notice, said District Board hereby invites sealed bids and proposals for doing the work and improvement described in Resolution of Intention No. 616 in the above-entitled matter, of the District Board of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California, adopted June 29th, 1950, and said Resolution of Intention No. 616 is hereby referred to for a description of said work and improvement, the grades to which it is to be done, a description of the district to be assessed to pay the costs and expenses thereof, the bonds to be issued, and for all further particulars contained in said Resolution of Intention No. 616. Reference is hereby further made to the plans and specifications and detailed drawings for said work on file in the office of the Secretary of said Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, in accordance with which said work shall be done.

Said plans and specifications may be examined at 1822 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Walnut Creek, and may be obtained upon the payment of $10.00 which will be returned.

Notice is further given that the District Board of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California, has established a prevailing rate and scale of wages in accordance with law, which rate and scale is as follows, to-wit

CLASSIFICATION	Per Diem rate 8 hours	Hourly Rate
Boiler Maker (Foreman)	$21.44	$2.68
Boiler Maker & Boiler Maker-Welder	19.44	2.43
Brick Layer	24.00	3.00
Brick Layer (Hod-carrier)	18.80	2.35
Carpenter (Foreman)	19.40	2.425
Carpeenter (Journeyman)	19.00	2.375
Carpenter (Millwright)	20.00	2.50
Cement Finisher (Foreman)	18.60	2.325
Cement Finisher	17.60	2.20
Cement Finisher (Machine man)	18.60	2.325
Electrical Worker (Foreman)	22.48	2.81
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Said proposals or bids shall be delivered to the Clerk of the District Board of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District on or before August 10th, 1950, at the hour of 8:00 p.m. of said date, at the office of said Central Contra Costa Sanitary District at 1822 Mt. Diablo Blvd., Walnut Creek, Contra Costa County, State of California, said time being not less than ten (10) days from the time of the first publication or posting of this Notice. Bids will be opened on said day and hour. The District Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or bids, should it deem this necessary for the public good, and also the bid of the bidder who has been delinquent or unfaithful in any former contract with the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District.

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DATED: this 20th day of July, 1950.

H. M. SMITTEN
Secretary
Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, County of Contra Costa, State of California.

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Why Caution Is the No. 1 Pointer for Safe Driving



JOURNEY'S END such as grimly pictured in these two photos is something to be ardently and conscientiously avoided. The photos were taken on Mt. Diablo Boulevard east of Orinda Crossroads, near Charles Hill, shortly after a terrific head-on collision of two cars resulted in these scenes. Above, Mrs. Nora Nelson lies across the lap of her husband Morris. Below, hospital attendants prepare to move Mrs. Leota A. Crowe, who is lying on the ground, to an ambulance. The Nelsons, Mrs. Crowe and Mrs. Crowe's mother, Mrs. Mabel Lewis, were seriously injured. According to the California Highway Patrol, the car driven by Mrs. Crowe, in which her mother was a passenger, was traveling west and apparently got out of control after striking the highway dividing strip and then swerved head-on into the Nelson car, in which Nelson was at the wheel. **—Trib photos**

Barden Visitor, Mrs. McInerney, Hurt in Accident

The Lance Bardens were entertaining Barden's very old friend from Chicago, Mrs. Mike (Mary Ann) McInerney, her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bowen and two children, and showing them the sights in San Francisco when a strong gust of wind blew down the elderly mother and caused a fractured hip.

Bowen had to return to Chicago, taking the children with him, but left his wife to stay with the Bardens while the injured mother is in a San Francisco hospital or until such time she can be moved to Chicago.

Setup in Britain Told to Rotary

Marston Campbell, Jr., Oakland businessman and practical economist, chose "What We Can Learn from British Socialism" as the topic for his talk before Orinda Rotary Club members at their luncheon session last week.

Campbell, who has degrees from University of California and Harvard, was a recent visitor to England where he attended House of Parliament debates on devaluation of the English pound.

The first-hand information he reported was of much interest to service club members, according to Frank Shirey, program chairman.

County Accepts 2 Orinda Roads

On motion of Supervisor Jack Cummings. the Board of Supervisors Monday accepted into the county road system Linda Vista and the portion of Mira Loma from Linda Vista to Via Farallon, in Hacienda Del Orinda Unit 1 subdivision.

Recommendation that the roads be accepted by the county was made by Road Commissioner Joseph W. Barkley, who had checked their condition.

EXCESSIVE OIL USE

Excessive quantities of oil may be drawn up into the automobile combustion chamber and burned with the fuel if the intake valve stems and valve guides are badly worn, according to the California State Automobile Association.

When driving, don't try to be in the center of things by straddling the white line. Keep well to the right, except when passing another car; and never cross the double line.

LEGAL NOTICE

Summary of Proposed School Budget
For Orinda Union School District
Contra Costa County, California
Income and Expenditures for 1949-50
and
Estimated Income and Expenditures for 1950-51
Exclusive of Special Funds

	Part One — General Fund	1949-50	1950-51
I.	Net Beginning Balance	55168.20	47292
II.	Income		
	Federal Funds		
	State Apportionments	69028.41	85906
	Receipts by Transfer		
	District Taxes	112709.81	96624
	Other Income		
III.	Total Beginning Balance and Income	236906.42	229822
IV.	Expenditures and Transfers		
	1. Administration		
	Salaries and Wages		11650
	Other Expense		1500
	Total	12372.17	13150
	2. Instruction		
	Teachers Salaries Certificated		88900
	Other Expenses of Instruction		9500
	Total Instruction	80134.13	98400
	3. Operation of School Plant		
	Salaries and Wages		10140
	Other Expense		5750
	Total	13192.47	15890
	4. Maintenance of School Plant		
	Salaries and Wages		3120
	Other Expense		2000
	Total	4842.50	5120
	5. Auxiliary Services		
	Transportation of Pupils		
	Salaries and Wages		
	Other Expense		16280
	Other Auxiliary Services		
	Salaries and Wages		
	Other Expense		300
	Total	11579.33	16580
	6. Fixed Charges	4804.00	4375
	7. Capital Outlay		
	Land		14261
	Improvements of grounds		5500
	Buildings		43761
	Equipment		3500
	Total	62190.19	67022
	8. Community Services		
	Salary and Wages		
	Other Expense		
	Total		
	9. Transfers		285
	Undistributed Reserve		4000
	Total Expenditures and Transfers	189114.79	224822
V.	Ending Balance	47291.63	5000
VI.	Total Expenditures Transfers and Balance	236406.42	229822

A public hearing will be held on this budget at Orinda School, at 8 o'clock P.M., on August 1, 1950.

B. O. WILSON
County Superintendent of Schools
By GRACE THOMSON, Deputy

Published in the Orinda Sun July 28, 1950.

Land Use Score— 1 OK'd, 3 to Come

Mrs. Warren E. Lowe's application for 15-foot and 16-foot side yards and a 14-foot setback on Lot 70-A and a portion of Lot 70 in Moraga Woodlands, Unit 2, was granted by the Board of Supervisors Monday. Recommendation that the land use permit be granted had been made by the Planning Commission.

The board continued for two weeks the request of W. J. Boies for permit to have a two and a half foot side yard on one side of Lot 686, Hacienda Del Orinda, Unit 7. Denial of this request has been recommended by the Planning Commission.

3 RECOMMENDED

Three other Orinda area land use applications are now due to come up before the supervisors, since the Planning Commission gave them favorable recommendation Tuesday. They are:

Edmond J. Bergeron, for a 12-foot setback on Lot 139 and a 10-foot setback on Lot 144, Moraga Del Rey Unit 1.

TWO SETBACKS

Wlalace E. Davis, for a 15-foot setback on Overhill and a 20-foot setback off Daryl Drive, Lot 82, Moraga Meadows Unit 3.

Carl G. Kolbeck, for a 15-foot setback for residence, Lot 31, Sleepy Hollow subdivision, Unit 1, on Van Tassel Lane, Upper Orinda.

Held over until next Tuesday by the Planning Commission is W. J. Miller's application for a 10-foot side yard on Lot 3, Block 0, Lake Orinda Highlands, on Camino Del Diablo.

Mrs. Mordy Brings Friend from Portland

Mrs. W. H. Mordy, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. E. T. Meakin, drove to Portland last weekend to meet a friend of Mrs. Mordy and bring her back for a visit with her in Orinda. The return trip was made over the Redwood Highway.

Miner Road Fire Guts Bedroom

Fire believed to have started in the radio wiring gutted a bedroom of the five-room wooden house of C. M. Fitzgerald, 731 Miner Road, last Saturday night. The blaze was put out by the Orinda fire department, with the aid of the Lafayette department, which added to the Orinda department's water supply.

The Fitzgeralds were away for the evening, but, according to Assistant Fire Chief Allen Winsor, the two young children were in the home at the time with a babysitter. Fortunately no one was injured. The fire occurred about 8 p.m.

Damage was estimated at possibly $3,000.

The Orinda fire-fighters were called out again Sunday night, at midnight, to put out a small grass fire on Estates Drive. Only a plot about 20 by 100 feet was burned, Assistant Chief Winsor said.

RESTLESS CHILDREN

On long cross-country drives, it's better— and safer—to keep young children in the back seat of the car, advises the California State Automobile Association. Restless and tired youngsters may interfere with the driver, or distract his attention at a crucial moment.

Barbara McVickar Weds Robert Caswell

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tefler of Orinda announce the marriage of the latter's daughter, Barbara McVickar, to Robert E. Caswell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Caswell, Jr., of Lafayette, on July 20 in Reno.

For Vacation Time . . .

FIRST AID KITS

$1 to $7.25

ORINDA 6121

AT THE CROSSROADS

Orinda Pharmacy



• do you realize how much it costs you–if you go through the tunnel to do your shopping?

• forget for the moment the inconveniences of bucking traffic for miles to shop in the BIG TOWNS on the other side of the tunnel.

• forget the problems you have trying to find a parking spot.

• forget your sheer exhaustion and weary feet of fighting the big town crowds.

• but for a minute consider the "operating costs" of shopping through the tunnel. For example, here's what it cost Mrs. Jones on a recent trip:

Baby Sitter
6 hours at 50c $3.00
(most day sitters charge more)
Lunch for sitter 30
Gas, oil, depreciation
30 miles at 7c 2.10
Parking lot charges 75
(or perhaps a ticket for overtime parking, $2)
Lunch
Salad and coffee 75
Snack, pie and coffee 25
GRAND TOTAL $7.15

• please remember that your local merchant is here to serve you 365 days a year . . . he depends on your business and therefore is vitally interested in giving the best quality merchandise at fair prices and with friendly service.

You Get Service as Well as Savings

WHEN YOU SHOP AT HOME !!

Your Garden

Plant Pansy Seeds Now for Next Year

By BERT WRIGHT

IF YOU WOULD LIKE to try your hand at growing pansies, you can plant seed in late July and early August, and next spring and summer have pansies for bloom and enjoyment.

Begin by purchasing the best seed you can. Then prepare a seed bed. This can be done on top of good garden soil, in a flat or in a six- to eight-inch pot.

If planting in garden soil, put a one-inch layer of equal parts of sand and peat moss. Sow the seed one-eighth inch apart in rows about two inches apart.

WITH THE COMING of cold weather, cover plants with straw to a depth of five to six inches. Remove in spring and again feed complete plant food at the rate of one tablespoonful to a square foot.

As soon as ground is good and workable those plants that are in a cold frame may be transplanted to the spot where they are to bloom.

SHOULD YOU PREFER to use a flat or flower pot, fill with sphagnum moss. Tamp this down and cover with one-half inch of sand. Soak this mixture throughly and sow seeds. If using a pot, plunge it to within one-half inch of the top and cover with a piece of glass until seeds start to come up.

Don't permit any seed bed to dry out. However, so that you do not overwater, it is a good idea to use a fine spray daily.

WHEN SEEDLINGS have two pair of leaves, transplant them to a well drained flower bed or to a cold frame. With the top four or five inches of soil mix a one-inch layer of peat moss. Apply plant food at the rate of a tablespoonful to a square foot of bed and work well into the soil.

County Will Have Farming Exhibit

Contra Costa County will bid for high honors in the class for diversified agricultural and horticultural products with a spectacular exhibit at the California State Fair, August 31 through September 10.

Under direction of Mrs. Iona Booth of the Contra Costa Development Association, workmen have started construction of the exhibit which will be located in the Agriculture Building. A huge drum towering more than 12 feet in the air will revolve slowly on a turntable.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Large photographs of the county's numerous industries will be shown in panels on the drum as it slowly turns. On top will be a second turntable holding the lifelike figures of a farmerette and a workman, representing agriculture and industry, partners in the county's prosperity.

Niches on columns supporting the drum will hold the choice wines and delicious honey of the county. The diversified deciduous fruits raised in all sections will be displayed around the sides, with all varieties of vegetables cultivated in the area placed in front.

FOUNTAINS

Splashing fountains on two corners will add beauty and refreshing coolness to the setting. On the other corners will be lounges with comfortable chairs for the comfort of visitors to the exhibit.

The design, one of three submitted by William F. Dabelstein, San Francisco designer, was selected by the Board of Supervisors on the recommendation of Elwood O. Mitchell, chairman of the association's exhibits committee .

Some Like Hot, Some Like Cold . . .

Some like it hot, some like it cold are lines from an old nursery rhyme. But these words can cut corners for the homemaker as she does routine jobs around the house. Home Advisor Mary Lerche points out that the way to save time in the house . . . is often a hot or cold matter.

Take mashing potatoes, for instance. Hot milk in mashed potatoes softens the lumps and makes them creamy, and also helps keep the potatoes hot. The ingredients in a cake blend better if all are of the same temperature, rather than some cold and some warm. This explains why it is best to take the eggs, milk, and fat from the refrigerator on hour or so before the cake is mixed.

After using an egg beater, treat it to a cold shower. Egg that hardens on the beater is difficult to get off . . . starch dishes and those which had dough mixtures on them, or milk or cereal should be soaked in cold water. Hot water dissolves syrup or sugar and melts fats . . . these should be soaked in hot water.

JUVENILE HALL

Contra Costa County Civil Service Commission will hold an examination for assistant superintendent, Juvenile Hall. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m., August 18.



Cut Reported for Debt of EBMUD

Bonded indebtedness of the East Bay Municipal Utility District has been reduced by $2,105,000 since the beginning of the calendar year, according to an announcement by Director Louis J. Breuner.

Bonds voted in 1924 and 1927, totaling $65,000,000, have thus been reduced to $40,950,000, and Second Mokelumne Aqueduct Bonds, voted in 1946, reduced from $12,000,000 to $10,560,000.

NEW PG&E MANAGER

Norman R. Sutherland, now vice-president and assistant general manager of Pacific Gas and Electric Company, will become its vice-president and general manager August 1, succeeding W. G. B. Euler, according to an announcement made by J. B. Black, president.

Cuts Mean Added Laughs in Play, 'Write It Off!'

The Straw Hat Theatre offers the following recipe for writing a musical comedy: First, write it. Cut it. Then, rehearse it. Cut it. Produce it. The first night it still seems to go on forever. So — cut it again.

Twenty-five minutes' playing time has been sheared off the new Straw Hat production "Write It Off!" since its opening July 7. Though first-nighters responded enthusiastically to the original two hours and fifty minutes of show, the seats of the Lafayette Town Hall grew harder during that last half hour.

NO SCENES REMOVED

No scenes have been removed; no musical numbers have been deleted; however, a stringent tightening has been effected throughout.

Lyricist (and Director) Elizabeth Berryhill has sacrificed some of her verses; dialogue has been reduced by Betty Hirshfield, but composer Gordon Connell's songs remain relatively intact.

11 PLAY 31 PARTS

Technically speaking, the cutting procedure was rendered most difficult by the fact that 11 Strawhatters play 31 parts. Costume changes come so fast that, at times, actors are wearing two pairs of pants. Naturally, cuts were maneuvered around these critical moments, one and a half pairs of pants, on stage, being an artistic impossibility.

Now, the briefer, brighter "Write It Off!" is playing to audiences at the Lafayette Town Hall. For ticket reservations phone Berkeley 7-6460 during the day, or Lafayette 3506 evenings.

FIREST FIRE DANGERS

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Awards Made for Members' Prints By Camera Club

At the interesting meeting of the Contra Costa Camera Club at Orinda Community Center last week, awards for submitted prints were made to some of its members, as follows:

In the amateur division first place was won by Dick Sender; second place by Mrs. J. Lindsey; third place by Jerry Winfrey; fourth place by Dick Sender and fifth place by Mrs. H. Benning.

In the advanced division first place was won by Jack Davis; second to Guy Spencer; third by Bud Dippo; fourth and fifth places by Guy Spencer.

The Contra Costa Camera Club meets throughout the year on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Any interested in photography work are invited to join the club. All learn a great deal from each other and from invited experts in picture taking and developing.

SERVICE SUPERVISOR

Service supervisor, Juvenile Hall, is a job for which an exam will be held by the Contra Costa County Civil Service Commission. Applications will be accepted until August 18.

Navy Plans Sale Of 38 Used Boats

A total of 38 used Navy boats — 18 with engines and 20 without engines — will be sold by competitive sealed bids on Monday, August 7.

The sale, which is open to all persons with the exception of Marine Corps and Navy military and civilian employees, will be held at the Sales Branch, Building 313, Naval Supply Center, Oakland, at 10 a.m., Monday, August 7. All sealed bids must be received on or before that time.

Adairs Now Home from Ten-Day Buying Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Milt Adair of Hawthorne Drive returned Sunday from a 10-day buying trip at the annual furniture show in Los Angeles. Adair is owner of the Lafayette Furniture Company.

DON'T BET YOUR LIFE

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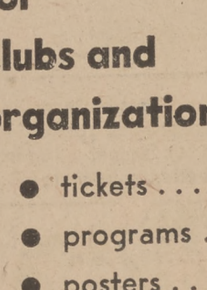


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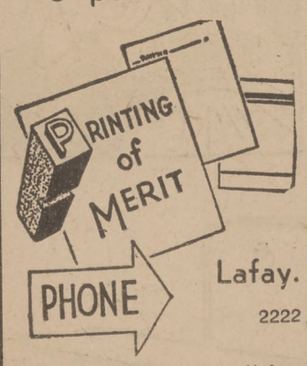
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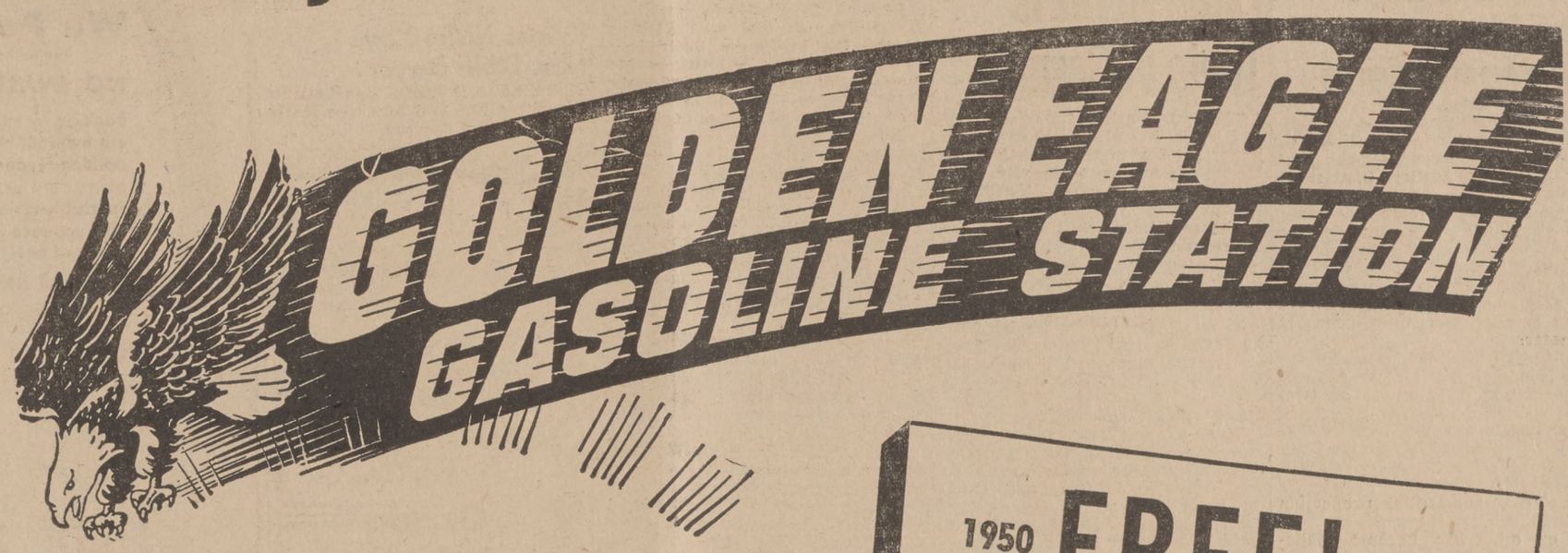
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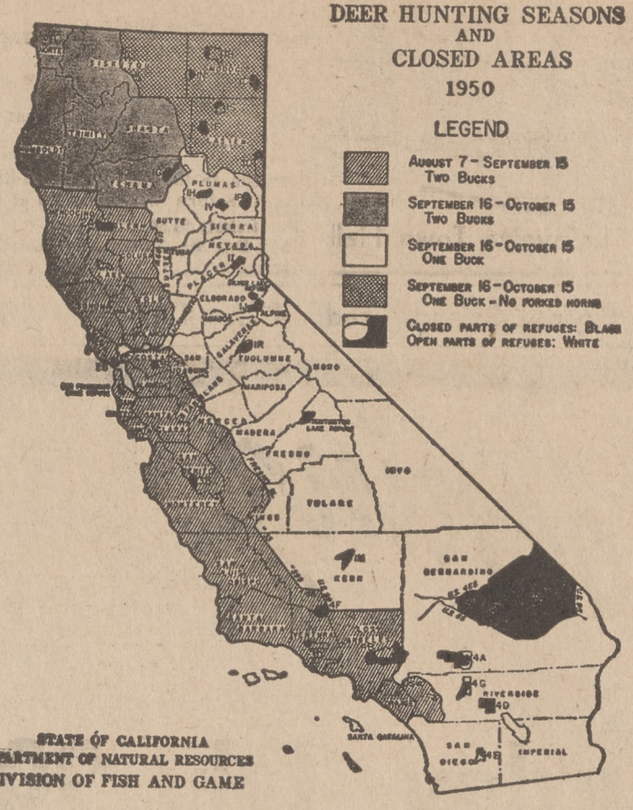
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EBMUD Okays Fire Hydrants on Two-Inch Mains

East Bay cities and fire districts may now avail themselves of additional fire protection facilities as a result of a decision by the East Bay Municipal Utility District to install, upon request, fire hydrants on two-inch water mains.

In announcing the action of the Board of Directors, Thomas S. Neilson, district director, explained that previously it has not been the practice to install hydrants on mains smaller than four inches in diameter.

BEING REPLACED

Neilson pointed out that there were hundreds of miles of two-inch mains already in hte local water system when the utility district purchased the predecessor East Bay Water Company in 1928.

Over the years, the district is replacing a substantial proportion of these small mains as they wear out or otherwise become inadequate to provide normal domestic service.

TEMPORARY HYDRANTS

Meanwhile, in order to make available as much additional fire protection as possible in those areas where the smaller mains are still in service, the utility district will now install temporary hydrants on two-inch mains, which may be replaced with permanent hydrants at such time as larger mains are installed.

An annual charge of $25 per temporary hydrant has been established to defray the costs of installation and to recover, in part, the district's investment in the temporary facility, Neilson said.

Campfire Girls Return to Canyon

Five Canyon Campfire Girls return home this week from a two-week camping session at Camp Celio. They planned to be back home yesterday.

Th[illegible]e are Judy and Bonne Miller, Marilyn Day, Anice Compher, and Charlene Jacobs.

Three girls who did not go to camp — Marcella Rider, Lona Foster and Sheba Jacobs — recently were taken on a tour of the Matson luxury liner Lurline. Leaders accompanying them were Mrs. Jay Jacobs. Mrs. Paul Foster and Mrs. Arlo Compher.

Faith, Works Is Topic of Sermon

The relationship between faith and works has always been a most important one in the Christian life. Under the sermon topic, "By Their Fruits," on Sunday morning Pastor Luther H. Berven of Our Savior's Lutheran Church will discuss this relationship.

Maynard Andersen, a teacher in the Lafayette school system, will sing a solo.

Morning service begins at 10:45 a.m. The Sunday School and adult Bible class meet at 9:30 a.m.

LAMP TYPE SIGNALS

With a large number of newer cars equipped with lamp type directional signals, some confusion has arisen as to their use, Commissioner Clifford E. Peterson of the California Highway Patrol, states. The driver of a car so equipped with devices approved by the patrol is not required to augment them with hand and arm signals, he points out.

Golden Eagle to Give Free Gifts At Grand Opening

Claiming the record as the "largest and finest" semi-self service station in the area, the new Golden Eagle station in Lafayette holds its grand opening Saturday.

Herman Sterling, company executive, points with pride to the fact that 15 cars can be served gas at one time from the 5 islands, while other cars can be serviced with water, windshields and air in a separate section.

The grand opening Saturday promises to be fun, according to Sterling, with free gardenias for the ladies, cigarettes for the men and candy for children.

In addition, free tickets will be given away for a drawing on a new Buick, as well as other valuable prizes. You need not buy anything —"just ask for your free ticket."

The station has many unusual features; such as, continuous music and commercials piped to each island, use of vacuum cleaners free at all times, attendants guided from the control tower (called a dog house), 24 hour service and women attendants.

Customers will serve themselves air and water, although attendants will be available to aid women drivers.

Shattuck Meets With Local GOP

Edward S. Shattuck, candidate for attorney general, was the guest of the Diablo Young Republicans at their meeting in Veterans Memorial Hall, Lafayette, Wednesday night.

Chairman Jack Pedder of the Republican County Central Committee stated earlier in the week that Shattuck will also meet with the central committee tonight, in Richmond.

Other meetings this week at which Shattuck planned to meet with G.O.P. leaders are in San Francisco, Santa Clara, San Mateo, Alameda, Marin, Sonoma and Napa Counties.

ASK "WHY?" ABOUT CHECK

When a compensation or pension check or some other type of veterans benefit payment fails to arrive on schedule, it's a good idea to ask "why?" before sitting down to write a complaining letter, veterans and veterans' dependents in Contra Costa County are advised by J. W. Hammond, county veterans service officer. Best place to ask "why," he adds, is the Veterans Service offices at 108 Hall of Records, Martinez, or 2721 Macdonald Avenue, Richmond.

U.C. Given Full Biochem Library Of Dr. E. Fischer

Dr. Herman O. L. Fischer of the Department of Biochemistry on the Berkeley campus of the University of California has presented to the university the complete working library of his father, Emil Fischer (1852-1919), it was announced by Donald Coney, university librarian, and Dr. Wendell Stanley, chairman of the department of biochemistry.

The collection will be the nucleus of a working library in the seminar room of the New Virus Laboratory and Biochemistry Building to be erected soon on the Berkeley campus. This room will also contain a bust of Dr. Emil Fischer which Dr. H. O. L. Fischer has presented to the university. At the present time the library is housed in the temporary quarters of the Virus Laboratory in the Forestry Building.

Emil Fischer was professor of chemistry at Berlin and is generally regarded as the "father of biochemistry." His researches were the first which made plain the chemical structure of the sugars, the polypeptides, the purines and the constitution and synthesis of the tannins. He was the second winner of the Nobel Prize in chemistry, being honored in 1902 for his work on the synthesis of sugar and purine groups of substances.

Knipes Visited by Mrs. Edith Dwyer

Mrs. Edith Dwyer of San Leandro is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Knipe and family of Canyon.

Plant Cells, Too, Have Highway System

Discovery of a microscopic highway network in plant cells was reported before the International Botanical Congress, in session at Stockholm, by Dr. Flora Murray Scott, botanist on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

Along this network may flow the materials used by cell nuclei, the factory system that manufactures chemicals necessary in plant life processes, she said. The highway system apparently connects the cell nucleus with cytoplasm of the cell.

FIRST CLUE

Prior to Dr. Scott's discovery, the membrane which encases the nucleus was not known to be permeable. Scientists were puzzled over the manner of exchange of material between the cytoplasm and nucleus. This is the first clue to how the exchange may take place.

The network is made up of fibrillaie or slender strands which traverse the membrane of the nucleus. In many cases it is barely visible under the most high-powered microscopes. However, in the giant nuclei of wild cucumbers the strands are easily seen under the microscope.

SUBERIZATION

Dr. Scott also discussed her investigation of the internal suberization of plants before the Congress.

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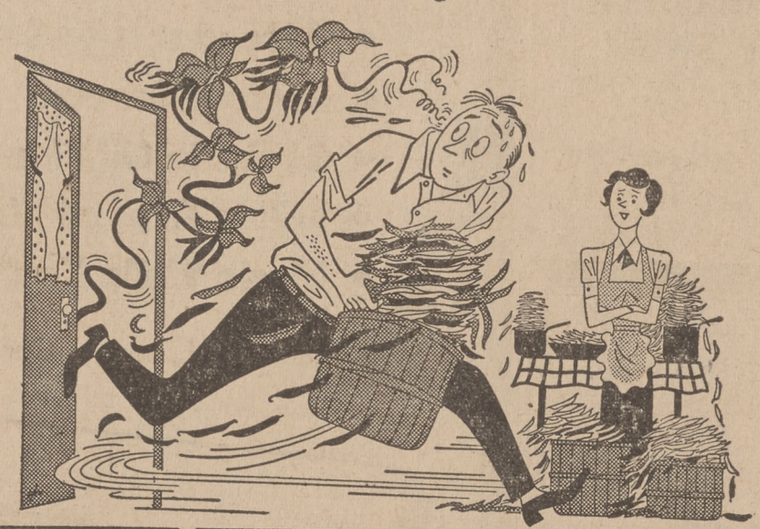

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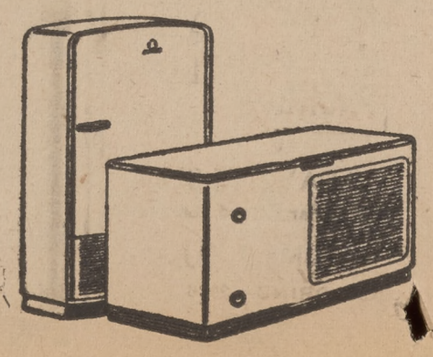
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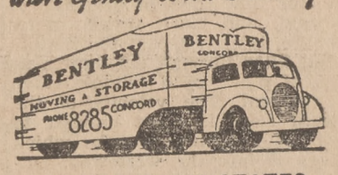
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Orinda Filter Plant, Nerve Center for EBMUD, Handles 75% of District Water

(First of Two Articles)

The Orinda Filter Plant, located on the San Pablo Dam Road approximately two miles from the Orinda Crossroads, is one of the vital nerve centers of the East Bay Municipal Utility District water system. Approximately 75 per cent of all water served by the district, which averages about 110,000,000 gallons per day, passes through this plant, according to E.B.M.U.D. officials.

The filter plant is the western terminus of the twin Mokelumne Aqueducts which bring our mountain supply across the San Joaquin Valley from Pardee Reservoir on the Mokelumne River in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. The water arriving at Orinda may be filtered at once and directed into the distribution system, or it may be diverted into San Pablo Reservoir for temporary storage to be filtered later at the San Pablo Filter Plant in El Cerrito.

Water intended for immediate use passes through a series of processes which removes any foreign matter present in the water and thoroughly disinfects every drop.

SAND FILTER BEDS

Filtration is accomplished in sand filter beds, where all foreign matter and suspended matter is strained out. Rapid sand filters consist of rectangular concrete boxes, each having an area of about 600 square feet and a depth of about 10 feet. On the floor of the filter, three-inch perforated pipe is laid to form a gridiron or network. All of these small pipes are connected to a large connector or outflow pipe. On top of the network of pipe there is approximately 20 inches of graded gravel, varying from three inches in diameter at the bottom to one-eighth inch in diameter at the top. On top of the graded gravel is about 30 inches of relaitvely fine beach sand.

Water is admitted to the top of the filter and allowed to percolate downward through the sand and gravel. Most of the straining action takes place on the top six inches of sand. The filtered water is collected in the network of perforated pipe in the bottom of the filter basin and conveyed into the outflow pipe. The water, after it has been filtered, is always crystal clear, irrespective of the character of the raw water.

REVERSE FLOW

When the sand becomes clogged with the foreign matter that has been removed, and the water will no longer percolate at the desired rate, the flow through the filter is reversed, and clear water, under pressure, is admitted at the bottom of the filter through the same network of pipes, by a suitable valve arrangement. The velocity of the upward flow is great enough to raise the mud into troughs which convey it into the wasteway. Under normal operations, it is necessary to "wash" the filter once or twice each 24 hours.

After filtration, and before the water leaves the filter plant, a small amount of chlorine gas is applied to the water. The dosage varies with the character of the water being treated, and is controlled by sensitive tests that are made frequently by the operator. The chlorine is added primarily as a safety measure.

ADDED PRECAUTION

Bacterial analysis shows that the water is perfectly safe for human consumption, most of the time. Nevertheless, as an added precaution, every drop of water served by the utility district is disinfected with chlorine gas before delivery to the consumer. Chlorination provides a cheap insurance against unsafe water. This completes the treatment process, and the water is now ready to drink.

Water leaves the Orinda Filter Plant by vertical drop into the inlet to the Claremont Tunnel. This discharge structure has been specially designed to permit visitors to view the water as it leaves the plant.

THROUGH THE HILLS

The Claremont Tunnel extends approximately three and one-half miles through the hills, emerging in Oakland below and slightly to the north of the Broadway low-level tunnel.

At this point, the water is diverted in two major supply lines to serve the East Bay cities. The Sequoyah Aqueduct extends south from the West Portal of Claremont Tunnel to serve Oakland, San Leandro and areas to the south; while the Wildcat Aqueduct extends north through Berkeley, Albany, El Cerrito and Richmond. The Claremont Tunnel is a nine-foot horseshoe shaped bore which has a maximum capacity of 200,000,000 gallons per day.

DELIVERED DIRECTLY

Water for Orinda and surrounding area does not enter the Claremont Tunnel, but is delivered directly into the distribution system and flows through the vast system pipes, pumping plants and reservoirs to serve the residents of the community.

Under direction of Blair Burnson, supervising sanitary engineer for E.B.M.U.D., the Orinda Filter Plant is manned by a crew headed by Superintendent Ralph Paul. Senior operator is Frank Clark; the three other operators, on different shifts, are W. W. Thomas, Robert Reed and Vernon Drysdale.

Lafayette and the area to the east, including Pleasant Hill and Saranap, receives its supply from the Grant Miller Filter Plant, a smaller but no less vital unit, located across Mount Diablo Boulevard from the Lafayette Dam. This plant draws water directly from the Mokelumne Aqueducts or from Lafayette Reservoir, and purifies it in the same general manner as is employed at the Orinda plant.

(To Be Concluded)

Mrs. Oscar Stone Dies at Orinda Home of Daughter

Mrs. Oscar Stone of Pittsburg died last Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Fisher of Orinda Highway. Her only son is Eric Stone of Delano.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Guy and Blackwell Mortuary, Walnut Creek.

Mrs. Stone had been ill but a few days and died in her sleep. A widow, she was well-known and loved by many Orinda residents.

Real Ranch Life For the Dawsons

E. A. Dawson and Josephine spent their vacation at Scott's Ranch Resort near Trinity Center, enjoying a taste of real ranch life, with horseback riding and swimming in the Trinity River.

All of this gave them a fine appetite for the three good meals a day served family style, with lots of good things raised on the ranch, including homemade fresh butter in abundance.

Mrs. Seat on Trip Through South, East

Mrs. Frank M. Seat of Don Gabriel Way, accompanied by her daughter Janice and her mother, Mrs. Briggs of Oakland, left last week aboard the Santa Fe Vista Dome for an extended tour of the southern and eastern states. Mrs. Seat will visit her sister in Quantico, Virginia, and will also visit New York, Washington and other eastern cities. She expects to be away for about two months.

Saleras' New Home

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Salera have started their new home on Camino Encinas.

Set School Budget Hearing for Tues.

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year, when transfer of funds from the Orinda and Lafayette districts for transportation services is taken into account.

State apportionments in the estimated income of the Orinda School District for the coming year come to $85,906, and district taxes come to $96,624.

TRANSPORTATION

Next largest item of expenditure, after instruction, and not counting capital outlay, is transportation of pupils, $16,280.

Capital outlay proposals total $67,022, including sums for land, improvement of grounds, building and equipment.

ACALANES ATTENDANCE

All Acalanes High School budget classifications show increases, which Superintendent Parsons points out reflect, in general, expected attendance increase for the coming year, estimated at about 12 per cent. The sum of $248,000 is scheduled for instruction, largest single item in proposed current expenses.

Acalanes amounts budgeted for capital outlay include $70,000 set aside for the purchase of a school site in Orinda, $28,000 for the purchase of school buses, $21,000 for building and equipping bus maintenance and storage facilities and approximately $70,000 which will be available for construction on the new Walnut Creek site.

RECEIPTS FROM STATE

Receipts from state apportionments, due to increased attendance, and from district taxes, due to increased assessed valuation, are keeping pace with increasing enrollments, according to the Acalanes superintendent.

The Acalanes tax rate for this year will be $1.20, the same as for last year and, Parsons says, very little different from any of the past five years.

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No Doubt It's Biggest Orinda Family of Dogs

Fourth of July was a memorable day for the Brown family on Berkeley Avenue. "Kelly," the Irish setter belonging to Mrs. Peggy Brown and her three children, presented her owners with her first litter—13 pure-bred pups!

Everyone was surprised at this unusually large first litter—the Browns, "Kelly" and Dr. Joseph Lorber of Lafayette, the attendant veterinarian.

"Kelly" is hard-pressed to provide for the 12 healthy and hungry survivors, so Sharon and David Brown are directing supplementary bottle feedings. Little Laurie Brown is busy showing them to her friends.

Success Topic—Country Club's Mexican Fiesta

The more than 500 members and guests who attend Orinda Sountry Club's "Fiesta Mexicana" held in mid-July are still reminiscing about the success of the mid-summer costume frolic and barbecue buffet supper.

Music furnished by a colorful rhumba band, which was led by a gaily costumed senorita who played the maraccas, lent further authenticity to the early Spanish California garb of the men and women dancers. Sequined gowns of the feminine revelers vied with the brilliantly patterned shirts and serapes of the men, with sombreros the accepted masculine headgear for the occasion.

GRILLED STEAKS

Following a cocktail hour, the guests were served their grilled steaks, baked potatoes and steaming hot corn at the new barbecue pits built this year on the slopes adjoining the court where the outdoor affair was held. The court was lined with long tables where salads and desserts were invitingly displayed so guests could help themselves.

Additional tables were placed along the swimming pool edge, with lantern light and strolling minstrels, who sang and played throughout the supper hour, adding additional glamour to the evening.

Guests danced till the early morning hours on the new concrete dance floor which was completed recently in readiness for the party.

Among those who attended in native costume were: Messrs. and Mesdames G. E. Lauer, George Thomas, James A. D'Armond, W. S. Dinwiddie, R. P. Wisecarver, Walter Boysen, John P. French, L. E. Crayon, James Roberts, John MacFarland, Francis J. Pelletier, Stanley Worthington, Edwin Foley, Arthur O'Kane, John Rosefield, and numbers of others who were members of no host groups or who entertained guests.

Informal barbecues for members will be held fortnightly during the summer, on Saturday evenings.

Jim Hupp Sings At Glide Church

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Tomme, formerly associated with the Orinda Community Church, are now living in San Francisco. Tomme has been appointed associate minister of the Glide Methodist Church there, and Mary Elizabeth is the music director.

Because of the absence of a member of the quartet, Mrs. Tomme asked Jim Hupp of her former Orinda church choir to assist with his fine bass voice at her first service as director. Kenneth Courtright, Orinda's splendid baritone, with Mr. Hupp, sang last Sunday in the Glide choir.

Family Honors Mrs. Underwood

Mrs. Ramsay D. Underwood was honored at a dinner party given at the Alameda Officers' Club by Capt and Mrs. H. W. Underwood of Alameda on her birthday Sunday.

The family group enjoying this evening included Mrs. Elaine S. Massie, Mr. and Mrs. Harper Massie, Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay Underwood and the host and hostess.

OK Hoyt Home Plans

Plans have been approved for the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hoyt on Underhill Road.

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Here and There in Orinda

Nancy Chantler, Altan Fullaway To Wed Sept. 23

September 23 has been chosen as her wedding date by Nancy Martha Chantler, who will become the bride of Altan V. Fullaway of Portland. The marriage ceremony will be read in the chapel of the First Congregational Church, Berkeley.

Janet, the bride-elect's sister, will be maid-of-honor, with the bridesmaids to be named at a later date.

Passing of the traditional box of candy to Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority sisters at the Theta house in Corvallis announced the engagement in May. Nancy was also a member of a national scholastic honorary society, Sigma Delta Phi, at the northern college. She is a graduate of Acalanes High School.

A 1950 graduate of Oregon State College, the benedict-elect is a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Fullaway of Portland. He is an industrial engineer major.

Kenneth Has Gala Birthday Party

Kenneth Phelps and his friends Brian Collins, Tad Curtis, Kim Smith, Bob Shurtleff and brother Don had a wonderful time celebrating his ninth birthday.

First they had a regular birthday party luncheon and then Ralph Phelps drove them all to San Francisco for a fascinating visit to the De Young Museum.

Vacation in Monterey

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Dawson II enjoyed a six days' vacation in Monterey, loafing and playing golf while their three young children were cared for by their grandparents, the E. A. Dawsons. The arrangement was greatly enjoyed by the children and grandparents.

New Neighbors

Camino Encinas residents are welcoming their new neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Steinhammer, formerly of Oakland.

Sharon Brown at Girl Scout Camp

Sharon Brown of Orinda left Monday for the new Girl Scout Packer Camp near Truckee, where she will serve as a junior counselor.

She will be there four weeks and will help in much of the ground work to make this new, rugged campsite livable. Sharon is a student at Acalanes High School.

Zoo and Ponies Delight the Kids

Mrs. Horace Breed and son Allan, Mrs. William Tildsley and daughter Gail, Jim Hupp and daughters Lucy Ann and Laurie and Mrs. Tildsley's nephew, Kenneth Bradley, spent a day recently at Fleishhacker Park and Zoo.

There they met Dr. and Mrs. Don Parle White and three children and Mrs. Donald Anderson and her two children, all having a fine time playing in the playground and seeing the animals.

Last Friday Mrs. Breed and Mrs. Tildsley took their children and Laurie Hupp to Tilden Park, where they rode the ponies and the merry-ry-go-round and had a great time generally. These excursions, which delighted the children, somewhat exhausted their mothers.

Mrs. Hupp, Daughter Drive to Portland

Last week Mrs. Jim Hupp and daughter Lucy Ann drove with Mrs. Smith and her mother, Mrs. W. K. Tomme's mother and grandmother, to Portland, where they visited friends and relatives, returning to Orinda Saturday.

Miss La Brache Visits Her Aunt in Seattle

Miss Stephanie La Brache of Valencia Street, Moraga del Rey, accompanied by her grandmother, Mrs. Brown, left last Saturday for a visit to her aunt in Seattle, Wash. Miss La Brache and her grandmother are traveling on the Shasta Ltd., Vista Dome.

Dollar Bills for Ross Family in Their New Home

Robert and Marie Ross and children Joann and Bobby have just moved into their new home on Orinda Highway from Berkeley. Ross is employed in the main office of the Oakland postoffice.

Twenty-five of their friends gave them a surprise housewarming last Friday evening. The evening was spent in dancing and games.

DOLLAR BILLS

The couple was presented with a simulated roll of bathroom tissue, which to their surprise unrolled into dollar bills scotch-taped together!

With this they were told to purchast a gift for their new house.

FOLK DANCING

Mr. and Mrs. Ross have conducted three square and folk dancing classes, one in Acalanes High School, one in Berkeley High School and one in El Cerrito.

They may give up the two latter and organize an Orinda class.

Daughter Visits Challiss Gores

The Challis Gores had a delightful surprise last last weekend when their daughter and husband dropped in on them. They had come up from Pasadena to attend a wedding. Also surprising them were their other daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Venolia, and baby, who had come north to locate their future home in Menlo Park, as Wayne is to finish his course in chemistry at Stanford next year.

Inglis Family Buys Home in New Jersey

All Orinda and especially the Dramateurs will miss one of their favorite families, that of Mort Inglis, wife Mona and two boys, who have bought a home in New Jersey close to New York City, where Inglis will carry on the investment business of Mrs. Inglis' father, who died recently.

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